

DEVELOPING SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on Using Practical Design and Context-Sensitive Solutions in Developing Surface Transportation Projects. Testimony was heard from King Gee, Associate Administrator, Infrastructure, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; Luisa M. Paiewonsky, Administrator, Highway Division, Department of Transportation, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

VETERANS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 114, Veterans Entrepreneurial Transition Business Benefit Act; H.R. 3685, To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to include on the main page of the Internet Web site of the Department of Veterans Affairs a hyperlink to the Vet Success Internet Web site and to publicize such Internet Web site; H.R. 4319, Specially Adapted Housing Assistance Enhancement Act of 2009; H.R. 4635, Foreclosure Mandatory Mediation Act of 2010; H.R. 4664, To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for a one-year moratorium on the sale or foreclosure of property owned by surviving spouses of servicemembers killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom; H.R. 4765, To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize individuals who are pursuing programs of rehabilitation, education, or training under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to receive work-study allowances for certain outreach services provided through congressional offices, and for other purposes; H.R. 5360, Blinded Veterans Adaptive Housing Improvement Act of 2010; and draft legislation. Testimony was heard from Representatives DeFazio, Stearns, Fortenberry and Fudge; Thomas J. Pamperin, Associate Deputy Under Secretary, Policy and Program Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a hearing on possible policy responses to long-term unemployment. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BRIEFING—TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence met in executive session to receive a briefing on the Transportation Security

Administration. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of June 14 through June 19, 2010

Senate Chamber

On *Monday* at 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the House Message to accompany H.R. 4213, American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act.

On *Tuesday* at 11:30 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nominations of Tanya Walton Pratt, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, Brian Anthony Jackson, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana, and Elizabeth Erny Foote, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, and after a period of debate, vote on confirmation thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: June 16, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Defense, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

June 16, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold an oversight hearing to examine Federal payment of interchange fees, focusing on how to save taxpayer dollars, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: June 15, to hold hearings to examine the situation in Afghanistan; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

June 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) and the implications for national security programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 17, to hold hearings to examine the financial state of the airline industry and the implications of consolidation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: June 15, Subcommittee on Energy, to hold hearings to examine S. 3460, to require the Secretary of Energy to provide funds to States for rebates, loans, and other incentives to eligible individuals or entities for the purchase and installation of solar energy systems for properties located in the United States, S. 3396, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to establish within the Department of Energy a Supply Star program to identify and promote practices, companies, and products that use highly efficient supply chains in a manner that conserves energy, water, and other resources, S. 3251, to improve energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy by Federal agencies, S. 679, to establish a research, development, demonstration, and commercial application program to promote research of appropriate technologies for heavy duty plug-in hybrid vehicles, S. 3233, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to authorize the Secretary of Energy to barter, transfer, or sell surplus uranium from the inventory of the Department of Energy, and S. 2900, to establish a research, development, and technology demonstration program to improve the efficiency of gas turbines used in combined cycle and simple cycle power generation systems, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

June 16, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 3294, to establish certain wilderness areas in central Idaho and to authorize various land conveyances involving National Forest System land and Bureau of Land Management land in central Idaho, S. 3310, to designate certain wilderness areas in the National Forest System in the State of South Dakota, and S. 3313, to withdraw certain land located in Clark County, Nevada from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under all laws pertaining to mineral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: June 15, to hold hearings to examine the health impacts of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

June 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protecting workers and businesses affected by misclassification, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: June 15, to hold hearings to examine protecting cyberspace as a national asset, focusing on comprehensive legislation for the 21st century, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

June 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John S. Pistole, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

June 16, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the Gulf of Mexico oil spill, focusing on ensuring a financially responsible recovery, 3 p.m., SD-342.

June 17, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine closing the lan-

guage gap, focusing on improving the Federal government's foreign language capabilities, 3:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: June 17, to hold an oversight hearing to examine Indian education, focusing on the No Child Left Behind Act, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 15, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of James Michael Cole, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

June 17, Full Committee, business meeting to consider H.R. 1933, to direct the Attorney General to make an annual grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center to assist law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing children, S. 3466, to require restitution for victims of criminal violations of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, H.R. 908, to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, S. 258, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide enhanced penalties for marketing controlled substances to minors, and the nomination of John J. McConnell, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: June 17, to hold hearings to examine harnessing small business innovation, focusing on navigating the evaluation process for Gulf Coast oil cleanup proposals, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: June 16, to hold hearings to examine Veterans' Affairs health care in rural areas, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: June 15, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

June 17, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: June 16, to hold hearings to examine the retirement challenge, focusing on making savings last a lifetime, 2 p.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, June 17, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review U.S. farm safety net programs in advance of the 2012 Farm Bill, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, June 16, hearing on developments in Afghanistan, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, June 17, hearing on the Administration's Expedited Rescission Proposal, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and Labor, June 17, hearing on the Department of Education Inspector General's Review of Standards for Program Length in Higher Education, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, June 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing entitled "Drilling Down on America's Energy Future: Safety, Security and Clean Energy," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "NIH in the 21st Century: The Director's Perspective," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4678, Foreign Manufacturers Legal Accountability Act; and H.R. 5156, Clean Energy Technology Manufacturing and Export Assistance Act, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “HHS Actions to Identify and Address Health Effects of the BP Oil Spill,” 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet, hearing on a discussion draft to provide funding for the construction and maintenance of a nationwide, interoperable public safety broadband network and on H.R. 4829, Next Generation 9–1–1 Preservation Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, June 16, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on Press Freedom in the Americas, 2:45 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on the Horn of Africa: Current Conditions and U.S. Policy, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, June 16, hearing entitled “Cybersecurity: DHS’ Role, Federal Efforts and National Policy,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

June 17, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight, and the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism, to continue joint hearings entitled “SBInet: Does It Pass the Border Security Test?” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, June 15, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 4175, End Discriminatory State Taxes for Automobile Renters Act of 2009, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy, hearing on Is There Life After Trinko and Credit Suisse?: The Role of Antitrust in Regulated Industries, 10:15 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

June 16, full Committee, hearing on Competition in the Airline Industry, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on Racial Profiling and the Use of Suspect Classifications in Law Enforcement Policy, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, oversight hearing on the Executive Office for Immigration Review, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, June 15, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, to continue oversight hearings on the Deepwater oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, with emphasis on Ocean Science and Data Limits in a Time of Crisis: Do NOAA and the Fish and Wildlife Service Have the Resources to Respond? 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 16, full Committee, to mark up the following measures: H. Res. 1406, Directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit to the House of Representatives certain information relating to the potential designation of National Monuments; H.R. 1554, Fountainhead Property Land Transfer Act; H.R. 4445, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center Clarification Act; H.R. 2340, Salmon Lake Land

Selection Resolution Act; H.R. 3914, San Juan Mountains Wilderness Act of 2009; H.R. 3923, Sugar Loaf Fire Protection District Land Exchange Act of 2009; H.R. 3967, To amend the National Great Black Americans Commemoration Act of 2004 to authorize appropriations through fiscal year 2015; H.R. 4514, Colonel Charles Young Home Study Act; H.R. 4686, Rota Cultural and Natural Resources Study Act; H.R. 3989, Heart Mountain Relocation Center Study Act of 2009; H.R. 4773, Fort Pulaski National Monument Lease Authorization Act; H.R. 4973, National Wildlife Refuge Volunteer Improvement Act of 2010; and H.R. 2864, To amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998 to authorize funds to acquire hydrographic data and provide hydrographic services specific to the Arctic for safe navigation, delineating the United States extended continental shelf, and the monitoring and description of coastal changes, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 17, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing entitled “The Deepwater Horizon Incident: Are the Minerals Management Service Regulations Doing the Job?” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 17, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4719, To establish a Southwest Border Region Water Task Force; and H.R. 5487, Water Resources Research Amendments Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, June 15, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled “Lead Exposure in D.C.: Prevention, Protection, and Potential Prescriptions,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 17, full Committee, hearing entitled “Viral Hepatitis: The Secret Epidemic,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing entitled “Federal Electronic Records Management: A Status Report,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, June 14, to consider the following bills: H.R. 5297, Small Business Lending Fund Act of 2010; and H.R. 5486, Small Business Jobs Tax Relief Act of 2010, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, June 16, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Real-Time Forecasting for Renewable Energy Development, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, June 16, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on The Proposed United-Continental Merger: Possible Effects for Consumers and the Industry, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Foreign Vessel Operations in the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, June 15, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on the State of the Veterans Benefits Administration, 2 p.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, June 15, Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Oversight, joint

hearing on reducing fraud, waste, and abuse in Medicare, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

June 15, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing on tax simplification proposals impacting regulated investment companies, with emphasis on H.R. 4337, Regulated Investment Company Modernization Act of 2009, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

June 16, full Committee, hearing on China's Trade and Industrial Policies, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

June 17, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, hearing to evaluate the effectiveness of responsible fatherhood programs, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, June 15, executive, briefing on National Counterterrorism Center Global, 10:30 a.m., 304-HVC.

June 17, executive, briefing on Compartmented Program, 10 a.m., 304-HVC.